

# Information about Measures X and S

# Q: What are Measures X and S?

A: On July 14, 2020, the San Bruno City Council unanimously placed Measures X and S on the November Ballot for voter consideration.

If approved by San Bruno voters, Measure's X would increase the city's hotel (bed) tax from 12% to 14%, and Measure S would allow the city to make an administrative change allowing the city to tax local cannabis businesses, should they be allowed in the city in the future.

## Q: What priorities does Measure X address?

A: If approved by San Bruno voters, Measure X would provide additional locally-controlled funds to prevent further cuts in all service areas including street repair, and maintaining 911, fire, and emergency medical response services, as well as recovery priorities including assisting local businesses.

#### Q: Why is additional funding needed?

**A:** Like many Cities Statewide, San Bruno has been affected significantly by COVID-19, necessitating budget cuts that impact the services residents have told us they value, just when residents are relying more heavily on those services. Measure X was placed on the ballot to provide additional funds for local services, without increasing the tax paid by local property owners or residents who are not hotel guests.

## Q. Will Measure X funds be spent responsibly?

**A.** Measure X funds continue the accountability provisions currently in place for hotel bed tax revenue, including mandatory financial audits, and yearly reports to the community to ensure the funds are spent as promised.

## Q: Why place Measure S on the ballot now?

**A.** While cannabis businesses are prohibited in the City of San Bruno- the State has legalized them. While Measure S does not remove the local prohibition, it allows the city to make the administrative change necessary to collect an industry-specific tax on cannabis businesses, should they be allowed in the future.

## Q: How can I get more information about Measures X and S and the Municipal Election?

A: Please visit <u>www.sanbruno.ca.gov/Measures</u>. For voting information, visit <u>www.sanbruno.ca.gov/Elections</u> or www.shapethefuture.org.